

CORRECTION STATEMENT FROM KAREN LARKIN ON CLICK! RETRANSMISSION FEES

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This Tuesday evening at the Public Utility Board meeting, I acknowledge that I misstated when I said Click! spends “tens of millions of dollars on retransmission fees annually.” I believe that it is vital and in the spirit of transparency for the public to have complete and accurate information.

In fact, the local broadcast stations began demanding cash for retransmission consent around 2009. The retransmission consent fees demanded by broadcasters have steadily increased over the last decade.

Since 2009, Click! Network has paid nearly \$12 MM in retransmission consent fees to local broadcast stations. In 2018, Click! paid approximately \$1.85 MM in retransmission consent fees.

With regard to payments to cable networks, Click! has paid over \$100 MM in programming license fees since 2009. In 2018, Click! paid approximately \$10.3 MM in programming license fees.

Combined, Click! has paid over \$114 MM in retransmission consent and programming license fees over the last decade. The fact is that Click! expenses for cable television have increased dramatically over the years.

I appreciate the passion that our community has for both our Click! Network and for adherence to the facts.

Thank you,

Karen